

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
EASTERN DIVISION

DAKOTA FISCHER,

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:19-cv-01342

Plaintiff,

vs.

REMINGTON ARMS COMPANY, LLC,  
REMINGTON OUTDOOR CO., INC.,  
THE MARLIN FIREARMS CO.,  
HORNADY MANUFACTURING CO.,  
and ABC COMPANIES #1 through #5,

Judge Edmund A. Sargus, Jr.

Defendants.

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Kevin J. Schneider, hereby certify that on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2021 a true and correct copy of this court's Opinion & Order (Docket Entry No. 69) was mailed to George Shope at Mr. Shope's last known address.

A copy of the November 1, 2021 cover letter to Mr. Shope with the attached Opinion & Order is attached hereto.

DATED this 1st day of November, 2021.

HORNADY MANUFACTURING CO.,  
Defendant

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I hereby certify that on the 1st day of November, 2021, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which by its operation will send notification of such filing to all registered parties.

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I further certify that on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2021, a true and copy of the above and foregoing was placed in postage prepaid regular U.S. mail to the following:

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November 1, 2021

**VIA REGULAR US MAIL**

George Shope  
11840 St. Rt. 139  
Jackson, OH 45640

Re: Fischer v. Remington, et. al  
October 15, 2021 Opinion & Order

Dear Mr. Shope:

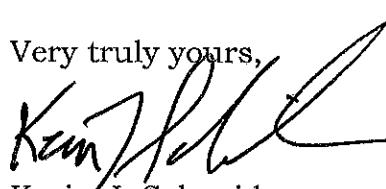
Enclosed is a copy of the Opinion & Order entered by Judge Sargus following the most recent hearing.

Pursuant to the Opinion & Order, you are ordered to pay to Hornady the sum of \$3600 in thirty-six monthly payments starting November 1, 2021 in the amount of \$100 each.

Your \$100 monthly payments are required to be mailed to the following address:

Hornady Manufacturing Company  
Attn: Stephen D. Hornady  
3625 W. Old Potash Highway  
Grand Island, NE 68803

Very truly yours,

  
Kevin J. Schneider  
For the firm

Enclosure

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
EASTERN DIVISION

DAKOTA FISCHER,

Plaintiff,

v.

REMINGTON ARMS  
COMPANY, LLC, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Case No. 2:19-cv-1342

JUDGE EDMUND A. SARGUS, JR.

Magistrate Judge Elizabeth Preston Deavers

OPINION & ORDER

The matter before the Court is Defendant Hornady Manufacturing Company's ("Defendant" or "Hornady") Motion for Sanctions against Non-Party Witnesses George Shope and Joshua Gee (ECF No. 40). The Court deferred ruling on that motion until an in-person evidentiary hearing could be conducted on October 14, 2021. (ECF Nos. 54, 61). Accordingly, having conducted the hearing, and as stated therein, the Court **GRANTS IN PART** and **DENIES IN PART** Defendant's motion, and **FINDS** the following:

1. That Mr. Shope abused the judicial process by deliberately misrepresenting facts essential to the case throughout its lifespan, ultimately causing the Defendant to incur significant legal costs.
2. That Mr. Gee, while erring in his deposition testimony, did not abuse the judicial process in a manner warranting judicial sanction.

Accordingly, pursuant to its inherent authority, and in consideration of the costs incurred by Defendant, the Court **ORDERS** Mr. Shope to pay to the Defendant a total sum of **\$3,600.00**. See *Chambers v. NASCO, Inc.*, 501 U.S. 32, 46-50 (1991); *Am. Tr. v. Sabino*, No. 99-4214, 2000 WL 1478372, at\*1 (6th Cir. Sept. 28, 2000) ("A federal court has the inherent power to impose

sanctions against a party or non-party who has acted in bad faith, vexatiously, wantonly, or for oppressive reasons.”). The terms of the payment are as follows:

1. Starting on **November 1, 2021**, Mr. Shope shall pay Hornady a minimum of **\$100.00 per month for thirty-six consecutive months** or until the total sum of \$3,600.00 is paid, whichever occurs sooner.
2. Should Mr. Shope fail to make the required monthly payment, the **entire amount of the outstanding balance will become due** on the first day of the following month. At that point, Hornady may move the Court to enter a judgment against Mr. Shope in the amount of the outstanding balance.
3. No interest shall run on the total sum nor the outstanding balance throughout the duration of the payment period.
4. Mr. Shope shall mail the required monthly payment to the following address:

Hornady Manufacturing Company  
ATTN: Stephen D. Hornady  
3625 W Old Potash Hwy  
Grand Island, NE 68803

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

10/15/2021  
**DATE**

s/Edmund A. Sargus, Jr.  
**EDMUND A. SARGUS, JR.**  
**UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**